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FOR OPIC

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TAGS: EINV
SUBJECT: TDY VISIT OF OPIC OFFICER JOHN K. CULMAN

REF: (A) STATE 074388 (B) STATE 081047

1. EMBASSY WELCOMES FORTHCOMING VISIT OF JOHN CULMAN AND
HIS PARTICIPATION IN COMMERCIAL OFFICERS' CONFERENCE
APRIL 10-14.

2. THE HEADQUARTERS OF ECGC ARE IN BOMBAY AND N. CHANDRASEKARAN,
DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER, IS LOCATED THERE. THE ECGC CHAIRMAN
AND MANAGING DIRECTOR (D.D. SATHE) IS ALSO BASED IN
BOMBAY AND NEITHER OF THE ABOVE OFFICIALS PLAN TO VISIT
NEW DELHI DURING THE PERIOD OF CULMAN'S STAY. G.V. KAPADIA,
CHAIRMAN OF THE GENERAL INSURANCE CORPORATION OF INDIA, IS
ALSO LOCATED IN BOMBAY AND HE ALSO DOES NOT PLAN TO VISIT
NEW DELHI DURING THE APRIL 10-14 PERIOD.

3. WE WOULD, HOWEVER, BE HAPPY TO SCHEDULE APPOINTMENTS
FOR CULMAN TO MEET WITH FOLLOWING SENIOR GOI OFFICIALS
WHO HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUBJECTS HE WISHES
TO DISCUSS: (A) P.K. KAUL, ADDITIONAL SECRETARY TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (GOI) IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE,
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WHO HAS POLICY MAKING AND ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OVER
ECGC AND IS THE PRINCIPAL GOI OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR
THE APPROVAL OF INDIAN INVESTMENTS AND JOINT VENTURES
ABROAD; AND (B) S. RAMANATHAN, ADDITIONAL SECRETARY TO
THE GOI IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, WHO HAS OVERALL POLICY
MAKING CONTROL OVER THE GENERAL INSURANCE CORPORATION
OF INDIA. IF CULMAN PLANS VISIT TO BOMBAY, CONGEN THERE

WOULD BE PLEASED TO SCHEDULE APPOINTMENTS WITH KAPADIA,
CHANDRASEKARAN AND SATHE, IF AVAILABLE.

4. EMBASSY HAS CONFIRMED RESERVATION OF SINGLE WITH BATH
FOR CULMAN AT THE ASHOKA HOTEL FOR APRIL 11 THRU 14.

5. EMBASSY WILL POSTPONE MAKING APPOINTMENTS WITH KAUL
AND RAMANATHAN UNTIL WE LEARN WHETHER CULMAN WISHES VISIT
BOMBAY AND, IF SO, WHEN VISIT WOULD TAKE PLACE.
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